Item No. 10: *Irrigation Management Policy*

i) The Conference broadly agrees with the thrust of the policy on proper management of irrigation systems for the optimal use of water and the guidelines regarding operation and maintenance, conjunctive use, drainage, farmers' participation, maintenance grants, water rates, training, etc., because it will help saving water while increasing productivity. Application of proven technologies like sprinkler, drip etc., which also carry substantial incentivesare recommended for acceptance.

ii) The Conference recommends that the policy be finalised at an early date under the auspices of the National Water Resources Council.

Completion of on-going irrigation projects in M.P.

2998. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of on-going water projects-major; medium, minor and flood protection are still pending completion in the State of Madhya Pradesh with details thereof;

(b) what action Government propose to take for the timely completion of these projects;

(c) whether any special funds have been earmarked for their completion during the Eighth plan period, and

(d) if so, what arc the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI V.C. SHUKLA): (a) and (b) 28 Major, 50 medium and 4 Modernisation Projects in Madhya Pradesh estimated to cost Rs. 7262 crores, Rs. 924 crores and Rs. 116 crores respectively spilled into VIII Plan. Their Spillover cost into VIII Plan is Rs. 5237 crores, Rs. 378 crores and Rs. 100 crores respectively. Keeping in view that thrust in VIII Plan has to be on completion of on going projects Planning Commission has approved on outlay of Rs. 1345 crores Rs. 234 crores and Rs. 46 crores respectively for Major, Medium and modernisation Projects during the VIII Plan. While details of Minor Irrigation Schemes are not maintained at the *Centre, 30 (load control works with a* liablility of Rs. 4.08 crores have spilled into VIII Plan for which full provision has been made.

(c) No, Sir;

(d) Does not arise;

Tribal Development Projects for Irrigation Development in M.P.

2999. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have prepared integrated tribal development projects for irrigation development in Tribal areas of Madhya Pradesh whose 23 percent population is of Tribals;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) the funds which have been allocated for these projects during the Eighth Five Year Plan with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI V.C. SHUKLA): (a) to (c) Tribal Sub-Plan concept formulated in V Plan also covers Madhya Pradesh. In all 28 Irrigation Projects with an ultimate irrigation potential of 1.55,400 hectares have been included in the Tribal Sub-Plan of the State. Ten Projects with an ultimate irrigation potential of 17,500 hectares have been completed. Twelve Projects with an